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Americans View Their Dust Bowl Experience. Edited by John R. Wunder, Frances W. Kaye, and Vernon Carstensen. Niwot: University Press of Colorado, 1999. xiv+429 pp. Photographs, drawings, maps, index. \$34.95 cloth (ISBN 0-87081-507-5).

This book is a resourceful gathering of first person accounts and articles dealing with the trauma of the 1930s in America's Heartland, compiled and assessed by historians over a period of several decades. It offers readers an intimate understanding of the natural, economic, and political facets of one of the greatest environmental disasters to befall the United States told in the voices of participants. An extensive bibliography lists classic and recent references.

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Averting Extinction: Reconstructing Endangered Species Recovery. By Tim W. Clark. New Haven: Yale University Press, 1997. Illustrations, references, index. \$30.00 cloth (ISBN 0-300-06847-6).

Clark analyzes the process of endangered species recovery, primarily focusing on the black-footed ferrets of Wyoming, once thought extinct but rediscovered in 1981.

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Common Fossil Plants of Western North America. Second ed. By William D. Tidwell. Washington, DC: Smithsonian Institution Press, 1998. ix+299 pp. Figures, tables, charts, glossary, references, index. \$49.95 cloth (ISBN 1-56098-783-9), \$24.95 paper (ISBN 1-56098-758-8).

This is a timely reprint of Tidwell's important work on fossil plants.

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Gender in Archaeology: Analyzing Power and Prestige. By Sarah Milledge Nelson. Walnut Creek, CA: Alta Mira Press, 1997. 240 pp. Notes, references, index. \$52.00 cloth (ISBN 0-7619-9115-8). \$19.95 paper (ISBN 0-7619-9116-6).

Nelson delivers an intriguing study of power and gender through the lens of archaeology.

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Reading and Writing the Lakota Language: Lakota Iyapi Un Wowapi Nahan Yawapi. By Albert White Hat Sr. Edited by Jael Kampfe. Salt Lake City: University of Utah Press, 1999. \$50.00 cloth (ISBN 0-87480-573-2), \$34.95 paper (ISBN 0-87480-572-4). Tapes: 2 cassettes, \$12.95; Paperback/tape set, \$34.95.

Based on extensive research and pedagogy on the Rosebud Reservation, this elementary Lakota grammar is the first written by a Native speaker of Lakota and presents the Sicangu dialect using an orthography developed by Lakota in 1982.

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The Student's Dictionary of Literary Plains Cree Based on Contemporary Texts. By H. C. Wolfart and Freda Ahenakew. Winnipeg: Algonquian and Iroquoian Linguistics, 1998. xiii+425 pp. C\$25.00 paper (ISBN 0-921064-15-2).

The linguistic approach to writing Cree has been tested for over twenty-five years in the University of Manitoba's Cree Language Project. This dictionary is a key to the growing library of original Cree literature.